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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Resume of OCB Luncheon Meeting, 16 January 1957

PRESENT: Mr. Hoover, Mr. Herter, Mr. Dulles, Mr. Gray,
Mr. Cutler, Mr. Larson, Mr. Hollister, Adm.
Strauss, Mr. Staats

1. Public Information Plan on Nuclear Air Defense Weapons

There was additional discussion of the public release of information regarding the nuclear air defense missile, Adm. Strauss and Mr. Hollister expressing some doubts concerning the advisability of the release. DCI repeated his earlier position that, while generally opposed to such announcements, there was no objection from an intelligence point of view. After the discussion the Board reconfirmed its decision of the previous week.

2. Announcement of Nevada Nuclear Tests

The OCB working group recommendation of January 15 concerning publicity of the 1957 Nevada nuclear tests was accepted in principle, but with the understanding that the draft announcement would be condensed.

3. State Department Report on SEATO Non-Military Activities

DCI stated he had been given notice of State's intention to discuss the non-military activities of SEATO only a few minutes before the meeting and, while much interested in the subject, he had had no opportunity to be briefed by his staff. He urged, and others concurred, that such reports should be staffed in the regular manner unless urgent matters of timing required short-cut handling. (There was further discussion of this matter in the regular meeting,

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and it was agreed that the topic be scheduled for additional consideration at next week's meeting.)

4. Trade with Poland

There was discussion in the meeting (and privately by DCI with Mr. Hollister subsequent to the meeting) which clarified the point that official policy now permits trade with Poland to be undertaken.

5. Support of Magsaysay

In connection with some of the recommendations of Mr. Bendetsen with regard to supporting President Magsaysay in the Philippines,

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